

## **IN THE ABSTRACT**

Please amend the abstract as follows:

~~Apparatus is disclosed for For~~ establishing proper clearance between adjacent parts of a combine harvesting machine ~~spacers are provided which create a clearance between housing~~  
~~parts of the combine. The clearance produces a gap which is to be controlled in terms of its~~  
~~extent. To control the extent of the gap, a flap member of flexible material is used. The flap~~  
~~member provides~~ ~~Additionally means are provided~~ for control of airflow through the machine  
after proper clearances are established.